IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please delete the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 1, and insert the following paragraph:

-- This application is a continuation of abandoned U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/039,197 filed on March 13, 1998. Further, this application is related to and incorporates by reference abandoned U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/042,338 filed March 13, 1998, by Chris Cunningham and entitled "Providing Network Services Through a Common Interface."--

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 28 as follows:

--Some of the network services 20 provided by the SCAN 10 may be implemented as executable programs running on programmable computers 11, 13, e.g., network server computers, in a subnetwork maintained by the network service provider. In general, each computer 11, 13 in the subnetwork is dedicated to providing one of the network services. The computers 11, 13 may operate under different operating systems, e.g., Unix and Windows NT, or they all may run under the same operating system. The network services may be provided as described in U.S. Patent Application [[_____]] 09/042,338 filed on March 13, 1998, by Chris M. Cunningham and entitled "Providing Network Services Through a Common Interface" (incorporated by reference).--